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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please enter the corrections to the drawings as shown in the red ink sketches submitted herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 14-15, with the following:



One aspect of the present invention is an expression converting method wherein for each sentence in a corpus, key words are selected from the sentence, a combination of key words that are in a co-occurrence relation is